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Upon review of the application file, the examiner notes that certain interview summaries conducted during the months of July, August, and September of 2004 are not present in the application file. The examiner submitted interview summaries for each of the interviews to be entered into the prosecution record, however, for reasons unknown to the examiner, with the exception of the interview summary dated 8/10/2004, the interview summaries were not made of record. Attached are interview summaries for interviews conducted on 7/27/2004, 8/3/2004, and 9/16/2004.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David Steadman, whose telephone number is (571) 272-0942. The Examiner can normally be reached Monday-Thursday and alternate Fridays from 6:30 am to 4:00 pm. If attempts to reach the Examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the Examiner's supervisor, Ponnathapura Achutamurthy, can be reached at (571) 272-0928. The FAX number for submission of official papers to Group 1600 is (571) 273-8300. Draft or informal FAX communications should be directed to (571) 273-0942. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Art Unit receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0196.

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